



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd

Sermon Discussion Questions: August 30, 2026

Faith that Endures

Sermon Series: Running the Race of Faith

Passage: Hebrews 11:1-7

1. The sermon defined faith as trusting God's promises enough to live in light of a reality we cannot yet see. What is something God has promised that you find difficult to trust right now? Why?
2. Abel, Enoch, and Noah each demonstrated faith differently—through obedience, walking with God, and acting on God's word even when they couldn't see the outcome. Which of these expressions of faith is most challenging for you right now? What might it look like to practice it?
3. The sermon contrasted faith and cynicism: "Faith sees through circumstances, and in the end sees God. Cynicism sees through everything and in the end sees nothing." Where are you most tempted toward cynicism or discouragement? How might looking to God change the way you see that situation?
4. The sermon emphasized that faith ultimately looks to Jesus—not simply as an example of faith, but as the one in whom our faith rests. How does focusing on Jesus, rather than on the strength of your own faith, change the way you think about persevering when life is difficult?
5. "Faith doesn't mean you can see everything. It means you trust the One who can." What is one circumstance in your life where you need to trust God without knowing how things will turn out? What would "walking by faith" look like in that situation this week?